# United States District Court Western District of Michigan (Southern Division (1)) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-01156-JTN-ESC

Varnum LLP v. United States Department of Labor

Assigned to: Judge Janet T. Neff

Referred to: Magistrate Judge Ellen S. Carmody Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 10/09/2018 Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

# plaintiff

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
10/09/2018	1	COMPLAINT for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief against United States Department of Labor filed by Varnum LLP (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 1, # 2 Exhibit 2, # 3 Exhibit 3, # 4 Exhibit 4, # 5 Exhibit 5, # 6 Exhibit 6) (Phelps, Aaron) (Entered: 10/09/2018)
10/09/2018		FILING FEE PAID re 1 by plaintiff Varnum LLP in the amount of \$400, receipt number 0646-4258616 (Phelps, Aaron) (Entered: 10/09/2018)
10/11/2018	2	NOTICE that this case has been assigned Janet T. Neff; with NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY re corporate disclosure statement (ems) (Entered: 10/11/2018)
10/11/2018		SUMMONS NOT ISSUED as to defendant United States Department of Labor (none provided; please refer to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(i) regarding service on the United States and Its Agencies, Corporations, Officers, or Employees) (ems) (Entered: 10/11/2018)
10/11/2018	3	PROPOSED SUMMONS to be issued re 1 (Phelps, Aaron) (Entered: 10/11/2018)
10/11/2018	4	CORPORATE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT by Varnum LLP (Phelps, Aaron) (Entered: 10/11/2018)
10/12/2018		SUMMONS NOT ISSUED as to defendant United States Department of Labor ; please refer to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(i) regarding service on the United States and Its Agencies, Corporations, Officers, or Employees (pjw) (Entered: 10/12/2018)
10/12/2018	<u>5</u>	PROPOSED SUMMONS to be issued re 1 (Phelps, Aaron) (Entered: 10/12/2018)
10/15/2018	<u>6</u>	SUMMONS ISSUED as to defendant United States Department of Labor, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (ems) (Entered: 10/15/2018)
11/15/2018		(NON-DOCUMENT) ATTORNEY APPEARANCE of Carolyn Ann Almassian on behalf of defendant United States Department of Labor (Almassian, Carolyn) (Entered: 11/15/2018)
11/15/2018	7	ANSWER to complaint, 1 with affirmative defenses by United States Department of Labor (Almassian, Carolyn) (Entered: 11/15/2018)

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11/15/2018	8	ORDER setting Rule 16 scheduling conference: Rule 16 scheduling conference is set for 1/2/2019 at 11:00 AM at 401 Federal Building, Grand Rapids, MI before Judge Janet T. Neff; joint status report due by 12/26/2018; signed by Judge Janet T. Neff (Judge Janet T. Neff, rmw) (Entered: 11/15/2018)
11/19/2018	9	UNOPPOSED MOTION to intervene intervenor Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. by intervenor Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Co.; (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 1) (O'Reilly, Arthur) (Entered: 11/19/2018)
11/19/2018	10	BRIEF in support of UNOPPOSED MOTION to intervene intervenor Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. 9 filed by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. (O'Reilly, Arthur) (Entered: 11/19/2018)
11/19/2018	11	CERTIFICATE regarding compliance with LCivR 7.1(d) re UNOPPOSED MOTION to intervene intervenor Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. 9 filed by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. (O'Reilly, Arthur) (Entered: 11/19/2018)
11/20/2018		(NON-DOCUMENT) ATTORNEY APPEARANCE of Andrew J. Clopton on behalf of intervenor Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. (Clopton, Andrew) (Entered: 11/20/2018)
11/20/2018	12	ORDER granting 9 unopposed motion for intervention; Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Company, shall no later than 11/27/2018, file an answer consistent with the proposed answer; signed by Judge Janet T. Neff (Judge Janet T. Neff, rmw) (Entered: 11/20/2018)
11/21/2018	<u>13</u>	REQUEST for pre-motion conference by plaintiff Varnum LLP for Summary Judgment Motion (Phelps, Aaron) (Entered: 11/21/2018)
11/21/2018	14	ANSWER to complaint, 1 with affirmative defenses by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. (O'Reilly, Arthur) (Entered: 11/21/2018)
11/21/2018		(NON-DOCUMENT) ATTORNEY APPEARANCE of C. Kevin Marshall on behalf of intervenor Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. (Marshall, C.) (Entered: 11/21/2018)
11/26/2018		(NON-DOCUMENT) ATTORNEY APPEARANCE of Rebecca D'Arcy O'Reilly on behalf of intervenor Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. (O'Reilly, Rebecca) (Entered: 11/26/2018)
11/27/2018	<u>15</u>	RESPONSE TO REQUEST for pre-motion conference by plaintiff Varnum LLP for Summary Judgment Motion 13 and Defendant United States Department of Labor's Pre-Motion Conference Request and Response to Plaintiff's Pre-Motion Conference Request; filed by United States Department of Labor (Almassian, Carolyn) Modified text on 11/29/2018 (ems). (Entered: 11/27/2018)
11/28/2018	16	RESPONSE TO REQUEST for pre-motion conference by plaintiff Varnum LLP for Summary Judgment Motion 13; filed by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. (O'Reilly, Arthur) (Entered: 11/28/2018)
12/04/2018	17	ORDER scheduling a pre-motion conference regarding document number 13: pre-motion conference is set for 1/9/2019 at 02:30 PM at 401 Federal Building, Grand Rapids, MI before Judge Janet T. Neff; signed by Judge Janet T. Neff (Judge Janet T. Neff, rmw) (Entered: 12/04/2018)
12/04/2018	18	ORDER rescheduling Rule 16 conference: Rule 16 scheduling conference rescheduled to 1/9/2019 at 02:30 PM at 401 Federal Building, Grand Rapids, MI before Judge Janet T. Neff; joint status report due by 1/2/2019; signed by Judge Janet T. Neff (Judge Janet T. Neff, rmw) (Entered: 12/04/2018)
12/04/2018	19	RESPONSE TO 15 United States Department of Labor's Pre-Motion Conference Request filed by intervenor Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. (O'Reilly, Arthur) (Entered: 12/04/2018)
12/13/2018	20	REQUEST for pre-motion conference by intervenor Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. for Summary Judgment Motion (O'Reilly, Arthur) (Entered: 12/13/2018)
12/14/2018	21	RESPONSE TO REQUEST for pre-motion conference by intervenor Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. for Summary Judgment Motion 20 and Department of Labor Pre-Motion Conference Request 15; filed by Varnum LLP (Phelps, Aaron) Modified text on 12/14/2018 (ems). (Entered: 12/14/2018)